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SATSANG EXAMINATIONS

PRE-TEST: SATSANG PRARAMBHA

JANUARY 2010

Time: 9.00 am to 12.00 pm

Total Marks: 100

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8. Examinations taken at unauthorized locations or in which the exam rules have been violated will not be considered valid.
Q.1. In the sentences below, state who is speaking to whom and when. (9)

1. "Why do you look so depressed today?"
   Who is speaking? ..............................................   To whom? ................................................
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2. "I am frightened and all over I shiver when I think of Yamapuri and the terrors of hell."

3. "I have not been injured at all."

Q.2. Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer. (4)

1. What did Ghanshyam pervade to punish the King?
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2. By which virtues will Bal Prabhu become recognized as Nilkanth Varni?

3. What did Lakshmiji request to Ghanshyam?

4. What did Ghanshyam snatch from Ramdatt's shoulder?

Q.3. Rewrite the incorrect sentences below in relation to the sentence heading. (4)

Note: Marks will be awarded only if a sentence is written completely correctly.
Otherwise no marks will be awarded.

Example: Monkeys get a sound thrashing: While Ghanshyam was eating in a room in Chhapaiya, a monkey came, stole a roti and jumped onto the branch of a tree.

Ans. Monkeys get a sound thrashing: In Ayodhya, One morning Ghanshyam was eating his meal, the monkey came up to the verandah and carried away a whole lot of chapatis and got back to the tree.

1. The priest's sight is restored: At the Mahadev Mandir, a blind brahmin named Shyamvihari was narrating stories from the Bhagvat.
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2. Ghanshyam leaves home: Ghanshyam awoke at 5:30 in the morning to go for his bath and walked towards the River Ganga. Ghanshyam had a necklace of moonj grass.

3. In search of Gauri, the cow: Gauri was very dear to Ghanshyam. Gauri had two calves, Gomti and Godavari.

4. Bhaktimata and Dharmadev pass away: Ghanshyam discoursed talked to his mother and appeared to her in the divine form of Vasudev Narayan.

Q.4. "On the Banks of River Saryu" Write five brief sentences on the main points of this incident (continuous narration not required). (5)

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Q.5. From the given options, place a tick (✔) in the box next to the correct ones. (8)
Note: One or more options may be correct. Full marks will be awarded only if all the correct options are chosen, otherwise no marks will be awarded.

1. Ghanshyam's maternal aunts.
   (1) Lakshmibai (2) Vasantabai (3) Chandanbai (4) Suvasinibai

2. Ghanshyam won the debate.
   (1) Bathed in the holy Ganga in Prayag.
   (2) Advait scholars said, "Brahman is the only reality. All else is illusion."
   (3) Ghanshyam established the Dvaitadvait philosophy.
   (4) Some saw Ghanshyam in the form of Rama, others saw him as Shankar.

3. Naming the Lord.
   (1) The Lord was two-and-a-half months old.
   (2) Your son is born under the sign of Cancer.
   (3) People will also call him Ghanshyam.
   (4) He will worship God and grant happiness to all.

   (1) Ghanshyam went to Tinva with Rampratabhai and Suvasinibhabhi.
   (2) Ghanshyam called out loudly to the cows.
   (3) Ghanshyam climbed the pipal tree by the banks of the pond.
   (4) Ghanshyam stroked the heads of the cows for a while.

Q.6. Give reasons for the following (two to three lines each). (6)
1. Bhaktimata and all the neighbours started laughing at Lakshmibai's house.

2. On seeing the mouth of Ghanshyam, Suvasinibhabhi was worried.

3. Twenty-seven wrestlers began to cry.
SECTION 2: YOGIJI MAHARAJ

Q.7. In the sentences below, state who is speaking to whom and when. (9)
1. "The sadhu who cooks is ill."
   Who is speaking? ...........................................  To whom? ..............................................
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2. "I was remembering God. You also sit with me to meditate."
3. "Please forgive me."

Q.8. Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer. (4)
1. When did the murti-pratishtha in Gadhada take place?
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2. Where would Krishnacharandas Swami visit every year to celebrate the Annakut festival?
3. What did Jinabhai accept to do when Mohanbhai asked him?
4. Where did Shastriji Maharaj build the first mandir?

Q.9. Select the six correct sentences from below and write them in the correct sequence of sermons in the boxes. (6)

   Topic : Austere Jina Bhagat

   1. From morning till evening, the sadhus and parshads devoutly prepared various sweets for the Annakut festival.
   2. Sadguru Krishnacharandas Swami asked Jina Bhagat not to fast on that day.
   3. The Garasiyo devotee said, "O Jina Bhagat! You will be a great sadhu one day."
   4. "Please tell the young Jina Bhagat to eat."
   5. "Guru, today you have fulfilled my wish."
   6. Krishnacharandas Swami advised the other young sadhus to cultivate the same virtues of austerity and self-restraint as Jina Bhagat.
   7. The Darbar arranged a meal of barfi and penda.
   8. Krishnacharandas Swami visited Mengni every year to celebrate the Annakut festival.
   9. Krishnacharandas Swami said, "Yes, he possesses all the qualities of a great sadhu."
   10. "Today is a festival day. You should not fast today, so please eat."
   11. Sadguru Krishnacharandasji Swami blessed Jina Bhagat and said, "Your wish will be fulfilled."
   12. Jina Bhagat immediately took on various duties at the mandir.

   Write the correct sentence numbers
   Correct sequence of sentences

   Note: 3 marks will be awarded only if all the six sentence numbers are correct and 3 marks will be awarded only if the sequence is correct. Otherwise no marks will be given.

Q.10. Write short notes on 'Youths Become Sadhus' (in 15 lines). (5)

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Q.11. Give reasons for the following (two to three lines each). (6)

1. Hargovindbhai fell at the feet of the young sadhu.

2. Yogiji Maharaj was brought to Mumbai from Gondal.

3. Some students used to threaten Jinabhai.

SECTION 3: KISHORE SATSANG PRARAMBHA

Q.12. Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer. (4)

1. Why did the Bibi come with the Sura Khachar?

2. Why should one not eat food from a hotel or restaurant?

3. When (give tithi and Samvat) and where was Sahajanand Swami born?

4. What should one do first on arriving in the Bal Mandal assembly?

Q.13. From the given options, place a tick (✔) in the box next to the correct ones. (8)

Note: One or more options may be correct. Full marks will be awarded only if all the correct options are chosen, otherwise no marks will be awarded.

1. Who worshipped God from a young age?
   
   (1) ✔ Dhruv  
   (2) ✔ Narinsinh Mehta
   (3) ✔ Prahlad  
   (4) ✔ Mirabai
   (1) Sarangpur (2) Gadhada
   (3) Ahmedabad (4) Bhadra

3. Who inspired Punja Dodia to become a satsangi?
   (1) Krupanand Swami (2) Purnakrupanand Swami
   (3) Gunatitanand Swami (4) Sachchidanand Swami

   (1) Yogeshwardasji (2) Raghuvirji Maharaj
   (3) Jaga Bhakta (4) Balmukunddasji

Q.14. Fill in the blanks. (4)

1. Shriji Maharaj initiated Mulji Bhakta in Samvat ..............................
2. The brave child devotee passed away to Akshardham chanting ............................
3. Shriji Maharaj especially praised the ................................. prepared by Gangama.
4. Shriji Maharaj came to take Punja Bhakta to Akshardham on .........................

Q.15. Complete the kirtans/verses/shloks below. (8)

1. Charan saroj ................................................................. ........................................................
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2. Shri Hari ........... bhavbhayhari.
4. Bhav dharine ........... Parabrahman.


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Q. 17. 'Samat Patel' Write five brief sentences on the main points of this incident (continuous narration is not required). (5)

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